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(SBU) The UN Pre-Deployment Visit (PDV) team arrived in Kigali October 7, and began preliminary discussions with Rwanda Defense Force (RDF) personnel October 8; Mission DATT also attended. Discussions centered on unit readiness and deployment schedules, including potential airlift bottlenecks. The team then proceeded to Gako Training Center to begin assessment of the first of the four battalions be deployed to Darfur. The PDV team intended to assess training, equipment, and operational performance in the field. Two more battalions will be evaluated October 9, and the final battalion October 10. The team will conduct outbriefings also on October 10, and depart the 11th.

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